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Dear Mrs. Sinclair,

My name is Dmitriy Efimov and I am 21 years old. I was born in Perm, Russia, and am of Russian descent and nationality. I am currently renting a flat in Moscow.

After I completed my primary and secondary education in my hometown, I attended Downside school near Bath, Somerset, with an intention to acquire my A level qualifications and attend UCL, but was unable to do so for various reasons. My main academic interests include linguistics, psychology, physics and mathematics. I am currently studying linguistics and intercultural communications at Lomonosov Moscow State University. As of this moment, I am unemployed, but would like to pursue a career in teaching in the future, as the idea of spreading expertise excites me, and I have sufficient people skills to be good at it.

The majority of my social circle currently consists of people from various countries residing in Moscow for a variety of reasons, most commonly English people enrolled in undergraduate programmes that involve a year abroad. Having acquired certain insight into the inner workings of both English and Russian people during my lifetime, I effectively act as a mediator in situations of cultural conflicts and misunderstandings for many such people, admittedly taking great pleasure in being able to help.

I understand the challenges of studying linguistics abroad but approach the challenge with due confidence and tenacity as I have both motivation and faith that i will succeed. I therefore ask for your consideration of my candidature for the Thomas Witherden Batt Scholarship. It would be a great opportunity for me and a way for me to further my understanding of the science.

Yours faithfully,

Dmitriy Efimov